

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to July 12th, 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are Claims 21-40 and re-numbered as claims 1-20 respectively.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| | 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Dwg. Correction 8/2/06</u> . |

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 21-40 are pending in the application.
2. Claim 1-20 has been canceled.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Matthew C. Fagan on August 2nd, 2006.

In order to more clearly define the patentable invention the claims have been amended as follows:

- In Claim 21, line 2 **replace** "a first domino gate"

with

"a first CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) domino gate".
- In Claim 21, line 4 **replace** "a second domino gate"

with

"a second CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) domino gate".
- In Claim 27, line 1 **replace** "the first domino gate"

with

"the first CMOS domino gate".

- In Claim 28, line 1 **replace** "the second domino gate"

with

"the second CMOS domino gate".

- In Claim 35, line 2 **replace** "a first domino gate"

with

"a first CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) domino gate".

- In Claim 35, line 4 **replace** "a second domino gate"

with

"a second CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) domino gate".

- In Claim 38, line 3 **replace** "a first domino gate"

with

"a first CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) domino gate".

- In Claim 38, line 4 **replace** "a second domino gate"

with

"a second CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) domino gate".

- In order to provide a better representation of the invention, the "Replacement Sheets" faxed to the examiner have been accepted.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 21-40 are allowed.
5. Claims 21-40 and re-numbered as claims 1-20 respectively are allowable over the prior art of record because the cited references do not contain the specified limitation of an apparatus comprising: a first domino CMOS (Complementary metal oxide semiconductor) gate to control a signal at a first node based on a current input signal at an input node; a second CMOS (Complementary metal oxide semiconductor) domino gate to control a signal at a second node based on a previous input signal at the input node (See Fig. 2, elements 202, 206— feedback to the input of second CMOS domino gate); and circuitry coupled to the first and second nodes to generate an encoded signal in response to a transition between a current input signal at the input node and a previous input signal at the input node.

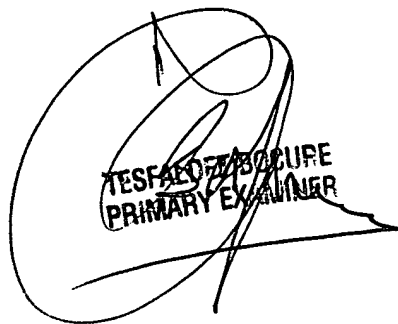
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6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sudhanshu C. Pathak whose telephone number is (571)-272-3038. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F: 9am-6pm.
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chieh M. Fan can be reached on (571)-272-3042.
The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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REPLACEMENT SHEET

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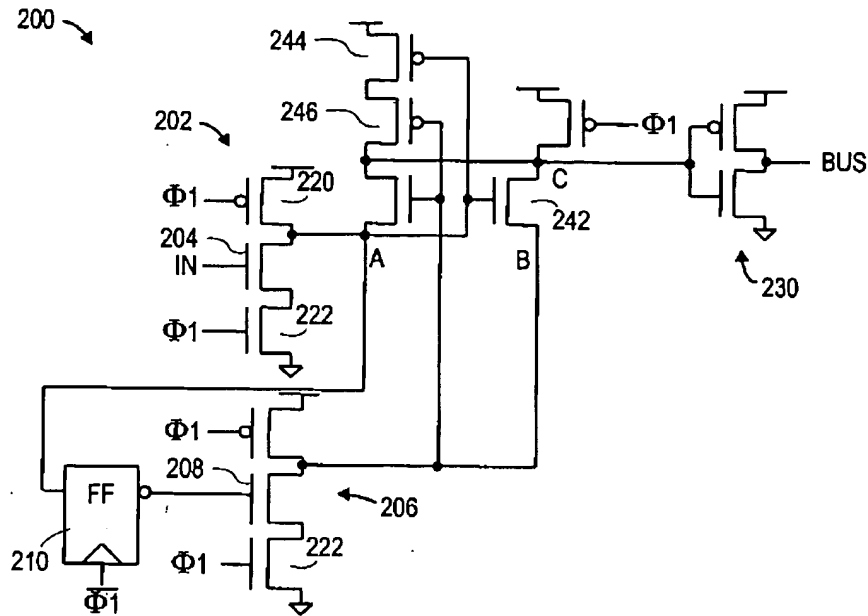


FIG. 2

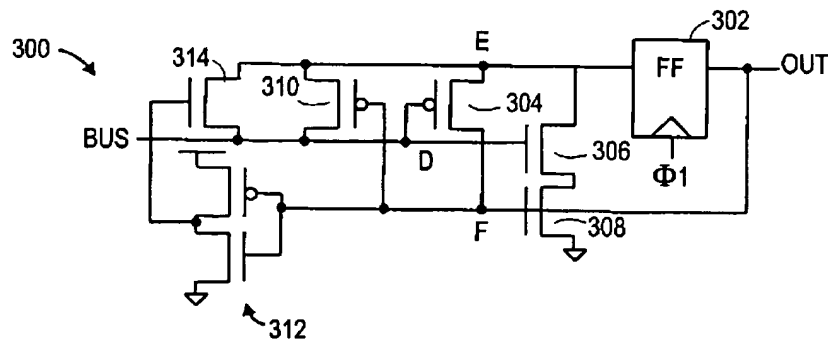


FIG. 3

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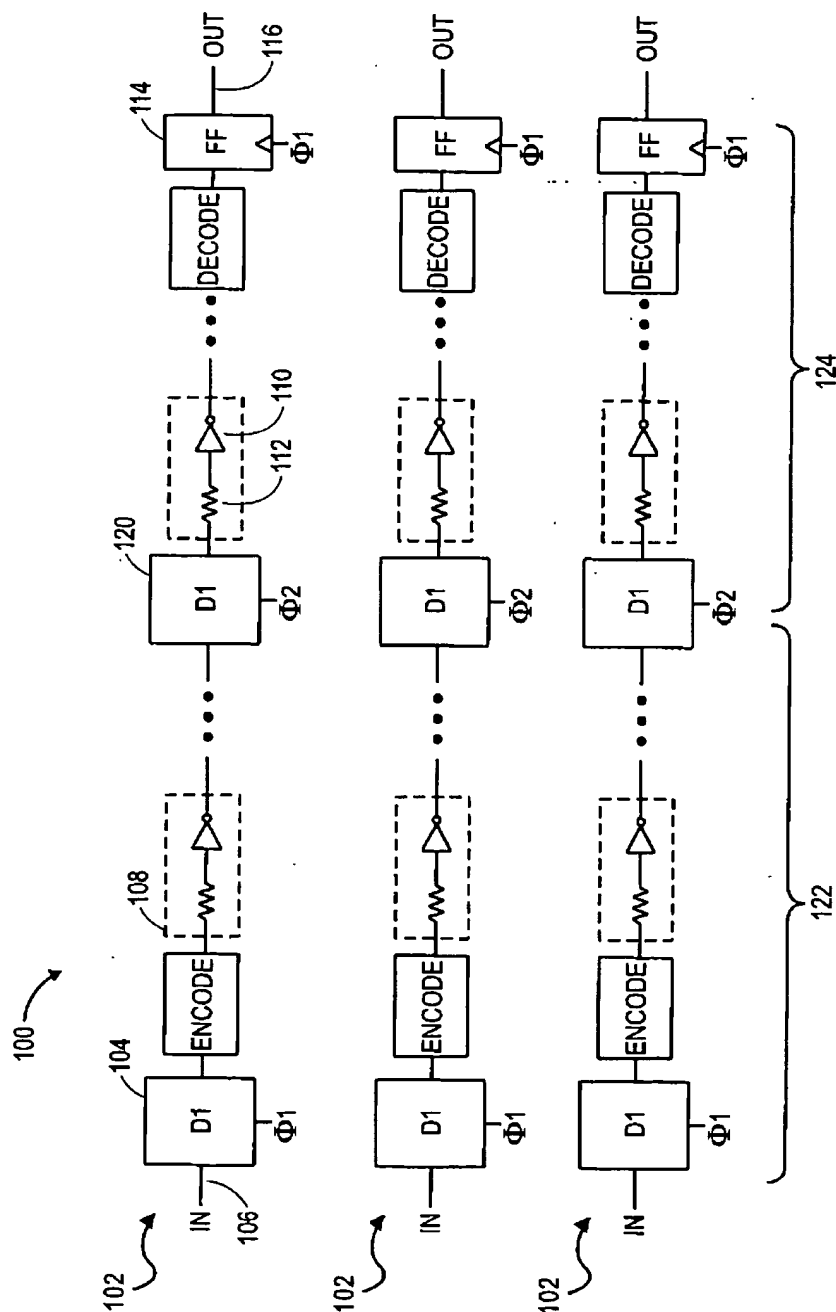


FIG. 1